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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

INCREASING THE CAPACITY OF ION

EXCHANGE RESINS

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Sir/Madam:

Responsive to the Final Action dated March 31, 2005, applicant cancels rejected Claims 1 and 3, cancels non-elected claims 10-23, requests that the following amendments to Claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 be entered, and requests that new Claim 24 be entered, as follows: